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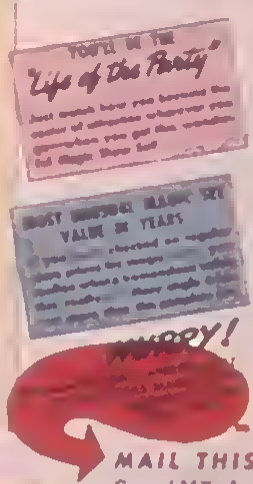

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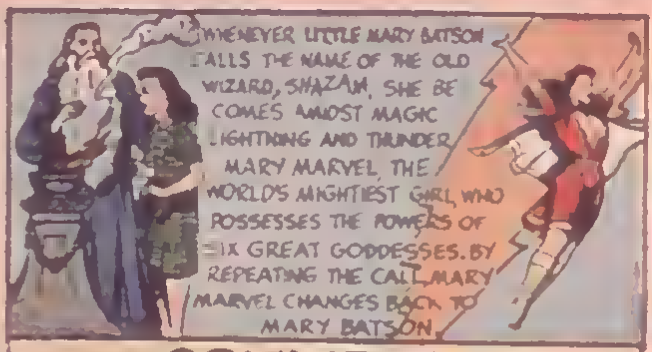
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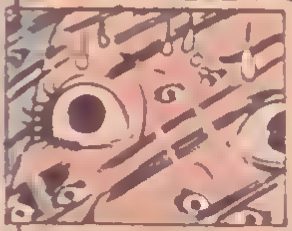

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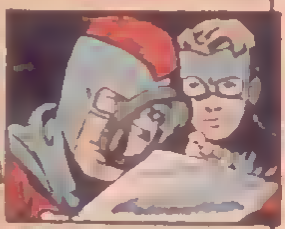

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MARY MARVEL
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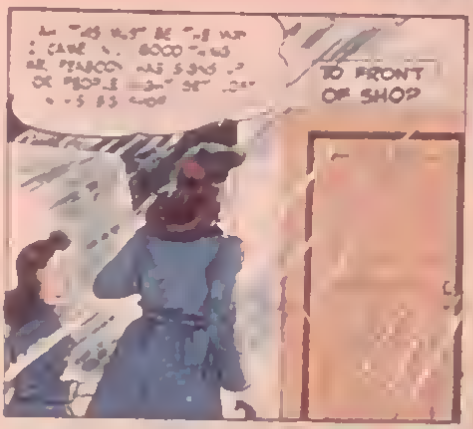
MAD MIRROR MAZE
MORE PEOPLE REPORTED MISSING

I WISH I COULD SOLVE THE MYSTERY OF PEOPLE VANISHING. BUT THERE ARE NO CLUES --
COME SHOPPING WITH ME, MARY! I WANT TO GET A NEW MIRROR!
YES, MOTHER?
HERE'S A NEW MIRROR SHOP THAT OPENED UP LAST WEEK. LET'S SEE WHAT THEY HAVE.
THE MIRROR SHOP
THE WORLD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU HUMBLE, SOMEDAY. BUT RIGHT NOW HERE IN
I'D LIKE TO SEE SOME MIRRORS, MISS.
MR. PEABODY
"A PEABODY ! MR. COME MADAM... STEP THIS WAY AND ... SHOW YOU SOME OF OUR BEST MIRRORS. WE ALWAYS AIM TO PLEASE OUR BEST CUSTOMERS
HOW DO I LOOK, MADAM..
WHILE MOTHER IS POKING ONE OUT I'LL JUST BROWSE AROUND A BIT...!
I'LL BET PEABODY SELLS THIS KIND OF MIRROR TO FAT PEOPLE. IT MAKES THEM LOOK THINNER!
SOON THIS SHOP IS BIGGER THAN : "MONSOUT". THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF MIRRORS ! ALMOST FEEL AS IF I'M--I'M...LOST ! SOON EACH WHICH WAY I CAME FROM !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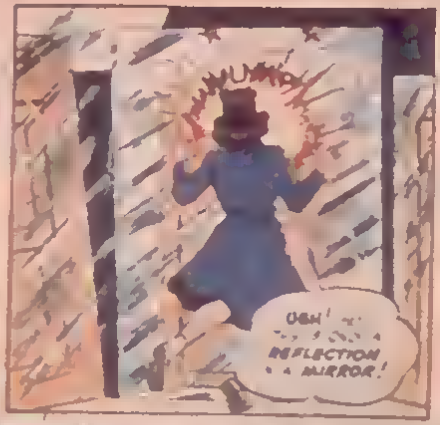
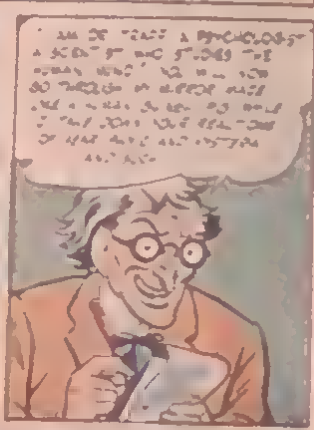

UGH! IT'S ONLY A REFLECTION IN A MIRROR!

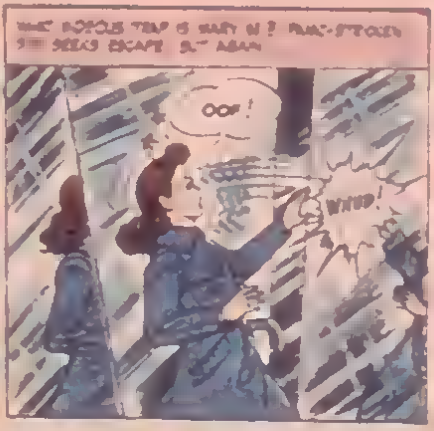
SUSPENSE
MAZE? THE WORD WE HEARD. YOU ARE YOU'RE IN THE MIRROR MAZE!
EH?



I'LL SHOW YOU!

WHAT?

I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF THIS PLACE!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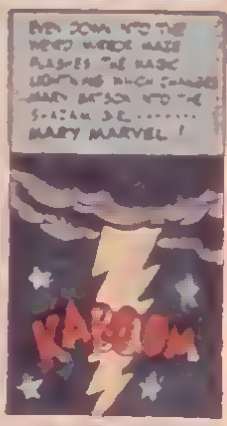
WHEW!

HOLY MOLEY!
HA, HAAA!

SHAZAM!


KABOOM

AHA! SO YOU CHANGED INTO MARY MARVEL..
YOU MADMAN!

CRASH!

HOLY MOLEY! TWO MORE MIRRORS!
YES, SIR! YOU CANNOT ESCAPE OUT OF THIS MAZE THAT WAY. THERE ARE MORE MIRRORS AND MORE MIRRORS AND MORE— —SO AND SO AND SO! HA, HAAAA!
DOGGONE! GOTTA GET OUT OF THIS HORRIBLE PLACE! THIS IS GETTING ON MY NERVES.
SUDDENLY...
HOLY MOLEY! AGAIN?
SH!
ENOUGH IS ENOUGH! NOW I'M GOING TO GET AT A LITTLE SPEED AND JUST SMASH MY WAY OUT OF THIS MADHOUSE— HUH?
NO! DON'T DO IT, PEARL! IF YOU HEADER ME MIRROR MAZE YOU WILL BECOME, TOO, A PERMANENT MIRROR VICTIMS!
SEE? THOSE ARE THE OTHER SEVEN GIRLS! AS USUAL, I HAVE THEM NUMBERED, AND THEN EACH ONE THROUGH THE MAZE IN TURN.
HOLY MOLEY! THOSE ARE ALL THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE VANISHED LATELY— HERE THEY ARE TRAPPED IN THE MIRROR MAZE OF DOCTOR, THE FEAR!
I CAN'T JUST GO WAY OUT— I WOULD ENDANGER THOSE PEOPLE! BUT— GO TO THEM AND— OOOF! A WALL—
NOT THAT WAY, YOU FOOL...! HA, HAAAA!
BUMP!
BUT NO MATTER WHICH WAY SHE RAN...
HA, HA, HAAAA! SO REAL AND YET SO FAR AS SHE IS CONCERNED! MAD! HA, HAAAA!
BUMP!

SOB!
SOB!
SOB! I'LL GO MAD!
STOP IT. DO YOU HEAR!
13
ULPS!

HA, HAAAA!
HOLY MOLEY!
ALL WE CAN DO IS KEEP ON BOMB, AND TRYAGE TO FIND A WAY OUT.
GASP!
OH MARY! IT'S AWFUL!
SOB! SOB
WAIT! HOLY MOLEY!

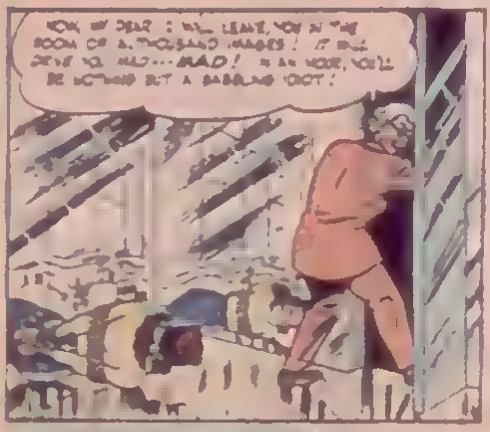
A DOOR!

WE'RE FREE!

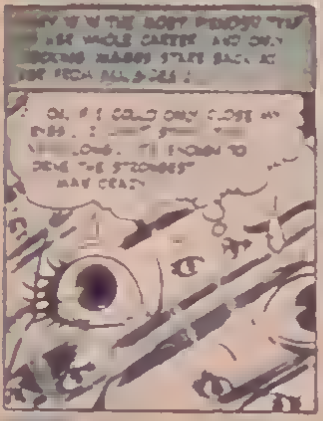
GO HOME NOW SALLY ... REPORT TO THE POLICE LATER
THANKS FOR SAVING MY BODYGUARD!

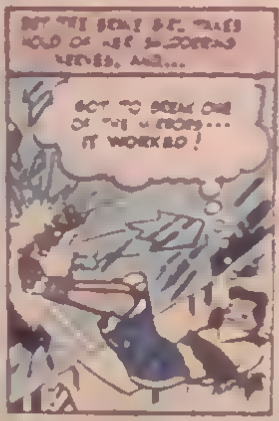
DAILY
BIG PERSON VANISHES

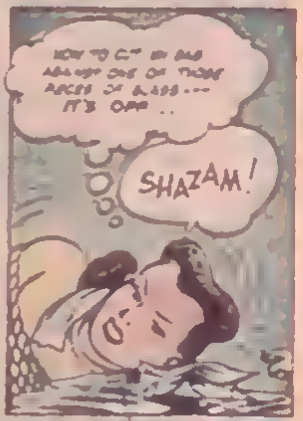
SHAZAM!
BOOM
SHAZ--- BAMM!

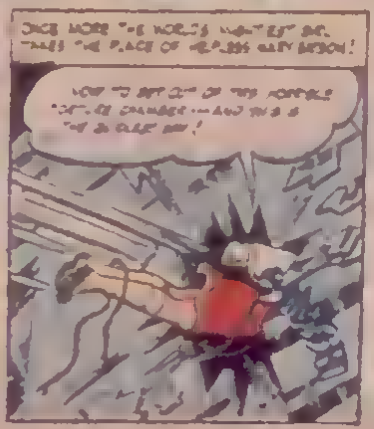

NOW MY DEAR ; WILL LEAVE YOU IN THE ROOM OF A THOUSAND MIRRORS ! IT WILL DRIVE YOU MAD... MAD ! IN AN HOUR, YOU'LL BE NOTHING BUT A BABBLING IDIOT !

AND YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO CLOSE YOUR EYES EITHER . THOSE NEEDLES FIRED FROM THE BLOOD POISONED VOLE EYE-MUSCLES ... WILL YOU CALL IT A STATE WORLD AND... GO UTTERLY MAD ! HA, HAAAA !

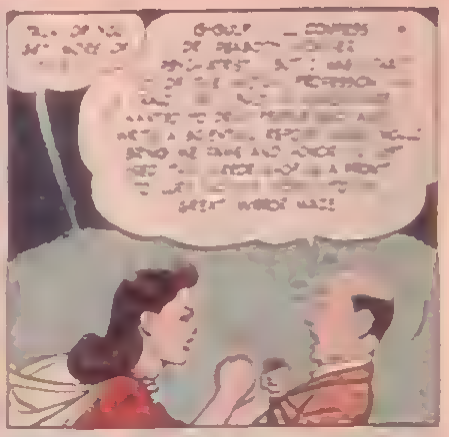

OH, IF I COULD ONLY CLOSE MY EYES . . . THEN I'D KNOW TO DRIVE THE STRONGEST MAN CRAZY

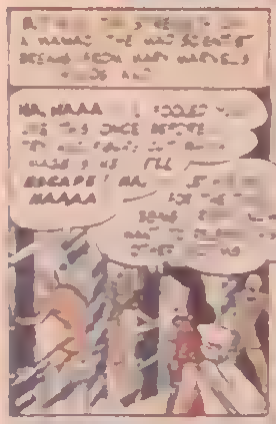

BUT THE SEVEN SEAL TALES HOLD OF HER SHUDDERING NERVES, AND...
GOT TO BREAK ONE OF THE MIRRORS... IT WORKED !

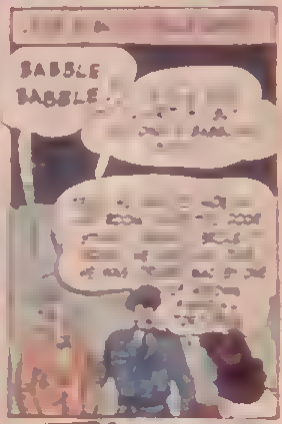

NOW TO GET IN BAD AGAINST ONE OF THOSE PIECES OF GLASS... IT'S OVER . .
SHAZAM !


ONCE MORE THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST MAN, TAKES THE PLACE OF HELPLESS BABY SIVANA !
NOW TO GET OUT OF THIS HORRIBLE SITUATION CHANGES ... AND THIS IS THE ONLY WAY !

WELL, WELL ! THE BAD DOING GUESS ! YOU WERE WATCHING THROUGH A PERISCOPE ALL THE TIME, EH ?
ULPS !







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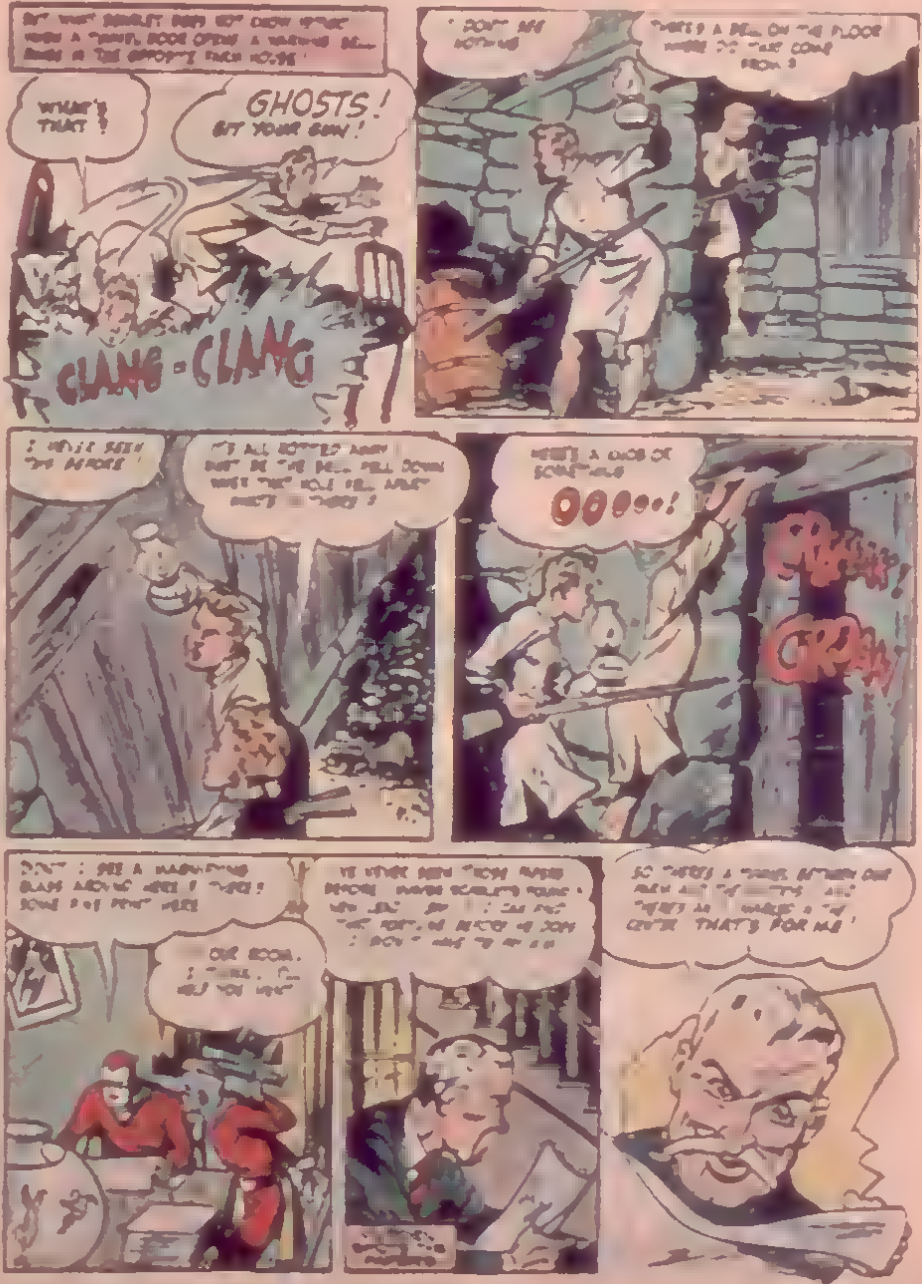
IT'S THEM SWITTY BOYS!
OH, NO! WE'LL GET MORE FORTUNE, TOO!
WELL, LOOK WHO THE G-MEN'S FOR YOU
THIS IS A JOB FOR SCARLET AND PINKY!
I SEE YOU'VE TRIED TO CLEAN UP THE BLOODSTAINS
THEY DON'T TALK LIKE
WE HAD COULD SHOOT

CUT - AT. CACKLE
RAAWWW! AWK!
CACKLE.
ARRAWK
A POX!
?
CLA CLA
CLATTA
AWRAWKET
CLANG
WHEW! WHATTA SHOT
OOPS
HEY, IT'S
CAVING IN!

SQUEAK!
SCREAM!


WHAT'S THAT?
GHOSTS! EAT YOUR GUM!
CLANG - CLANG
CRASH!
CRASH!

BANG!
BANG!
BANG!
GOTCHA!
BANG
SURE
SURE
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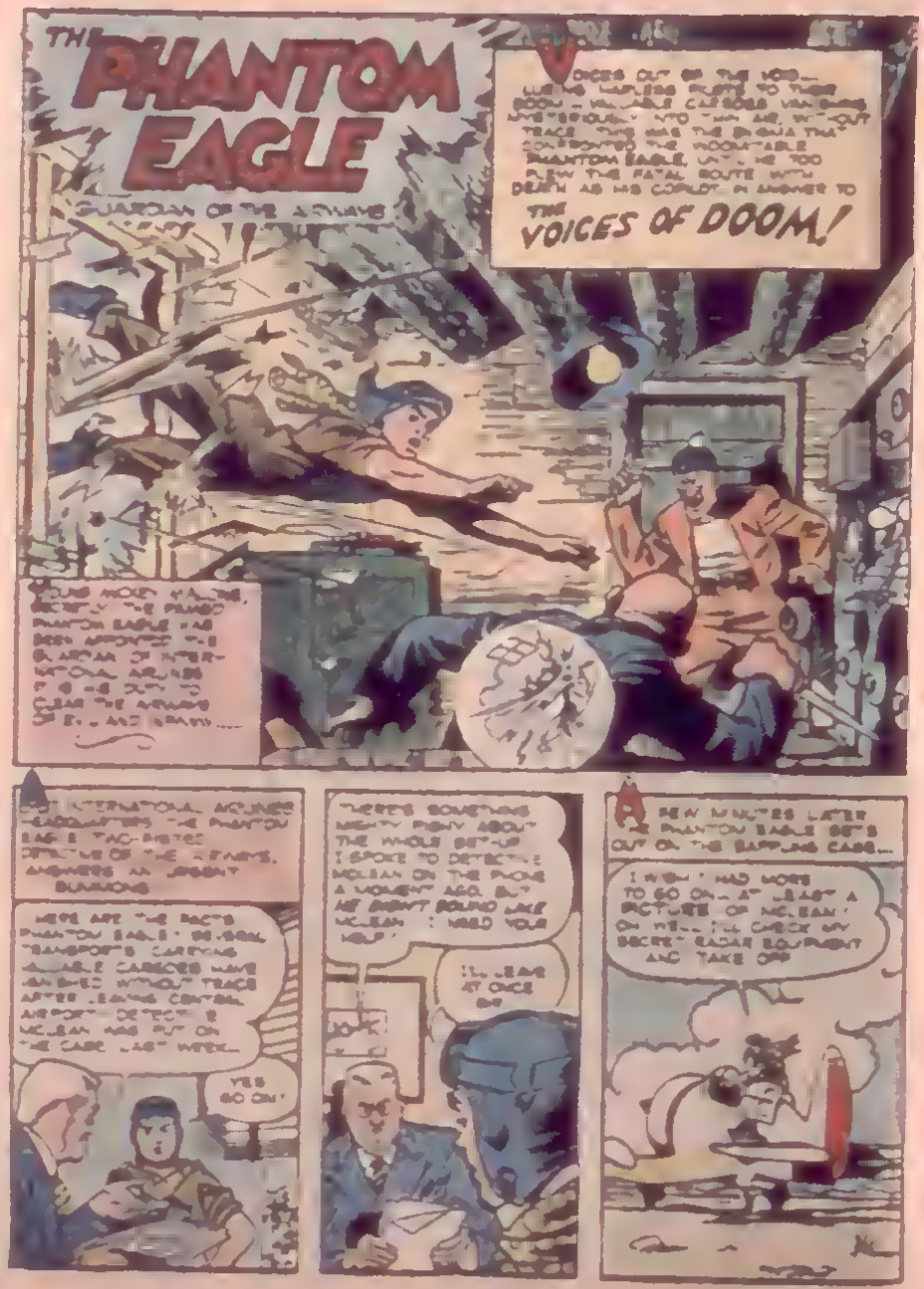
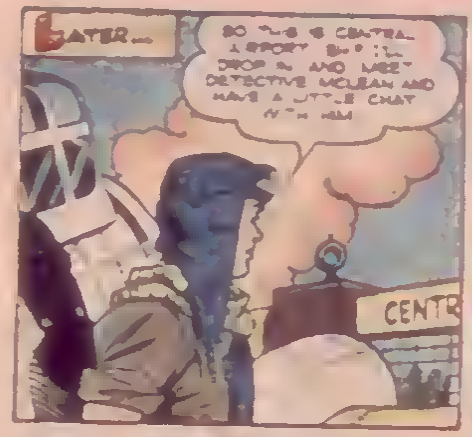
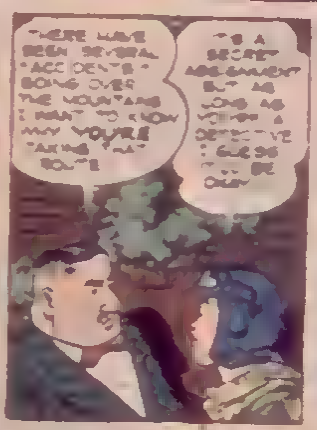
Captain Tootsie
SAVES THE SAUSPLANE
HERE WE ARE, THE SUPER SHOW PLANE... STICK CLOSE TO ME AND DON'T GET INTO ANY TROUBLE
OUCH CAPTAIN TOOTSIE
OUCH CAPTAIN TOOTSIE THAT WATCHING ME I'LL JUST SIT IN THIS SLIDER FOR A MINUTE AND SEE HOW IT WORKS
BUT WHILST LITTLE BROTHER BUDDY DOES NOT KNOW THE PLANE AND ACCIDENTALLY KNOCKS THE BRAKE LEVER
AND SOON THE PLANE IS IN THE AIR
HEY! THERE'S A KID IN THE SAUSPLANE
HELP!
IT'S A GOOD THING WE TOOTSIE ROLLS HERE WE'LL NEED LOTS OF ENERGY FOR THIS JOB
WE'LL BE KILLED!
CAUGHT THE TOW ROPE NOW TO LAND HER DOWN
THERE WE ARE DOWN SHE COMES AS A
TOOTSIE! YOU SAVED ME!
HOORAY FOR CAPTAIN TOOTSIE!
HE'S A REAL HERO
CROSS OUT OF "HERE BUDDY OUTER LUCKY YOU NEVER HAVE"
CONGRATULATIONS CAPTAIN TOOTSIE
HERE YOU ARE, YOU HAVE A TOOTSIE ROLL!
YOU SEE HOW ALL THE
TOOTSIE ROLLS NOT ONLY GIVE YOU ENERGY, BUT THEY'RE DELICIOUS AND LONG LASTING, TOO. PUT THEM IN YOUR POCKETS AND BE SET FOR ACTION
Tootsie

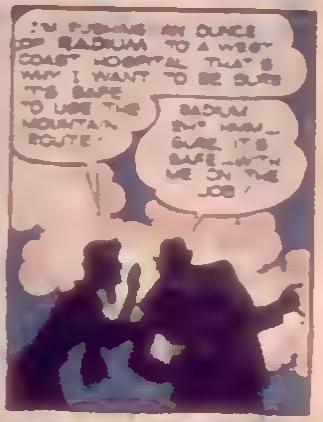

THE PHANTOM EAGLE
GUARDIAN OF THE AIRWAYS
VOICES OUT OF THE VOID—
THE VOICES OF DOOM!


LATER...
SO THIS IS CENTRAL. I SHOULD DROP IN AND MEET DETECTIVE MCLEAN AND HAVE A LITTLE CHAT WITH HIM
CENTR

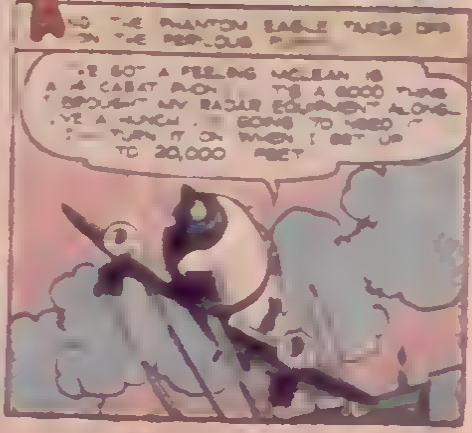
THE PHANTOM EAGLE ON PRIVATE ASSIGNMENT CHECKING IN SHORTLY FLYING THE MOUNTAIN ROUTE AND WANT FULL INFORMATION ON CURRENT CONDITIONS. WHAT'S THIS TALK ABOUT A "GANG" DOGGING THE ROUTE?
I WANT A WORD WITH YOU, BUD!

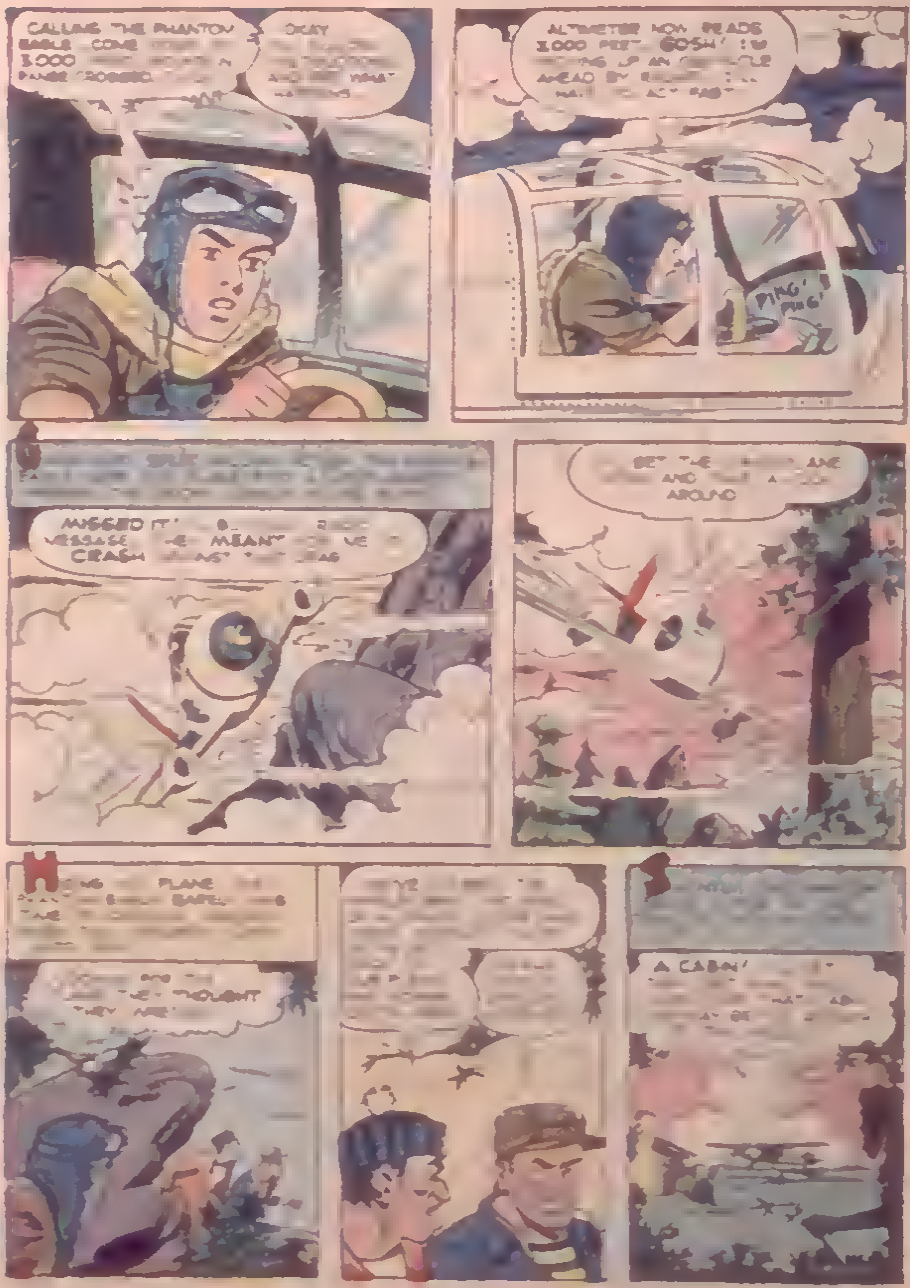
WHAT'S THE IDEA?
I'M DETECTIVE MCLEAN AND I WANT TO SEE YOU IN PRIVATE! C'MON!


THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL "ACCIDENTS" GOING OVER THE MOUNTAINS. I WANT TO KNOW WHY YOU'RE "AMONG THAT" ROUTE
IT'S A SECRET ASSIGNMENT BUT AS LONG AS WITH A DETECTIVE I GUESS IT'LL BE OKAY


I'M FLYING AN OUNCE OF RADIUM TO A WEST COAST HOSPITAL. THAT'S WHY I WANT TO BE SURE THIS BABE TO USE THE MOUNTAIN ROUTE
RADIUM EH? HMM... SURE, IT'S SAFE... WITH ME ON THE JOB!

YOU... HAVE TO FLY BLIND TO CLEAR THE PEAKS. FLY AT 20,000 BY RADIO BEAM AND DOWN TO 9,000 WHEN ORDERED YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT
THANKS MCLEAN I'LL GET STARTED


AND THE PHANTOM EAGLE TAKES OFF ON THE PERILOUS FLIGHT
I'VE GOT A FEELING MCLEAN IS A CAGEY BIRD... I'LL BE A GOOD THING I BROUGHT MY RADAR EQUIPMENT ALONG. I'VE A HUNCH I'M GOING TO NEED IT... I'LL TURN IT ON WHEN I GET UP TO 20,000 FEET

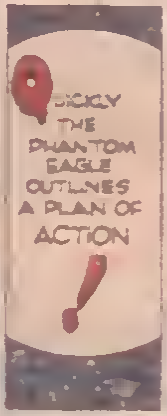

CALLING THE PHANTOM EAGLE COME
OKAY
ALTIMETER NOW READS 3,000 FEET GOSH!
PING PING
MISSED IT!
CRASH
BET THE
AND
AROUND
A CABIN!

A FEW SECONDS AFTER THE MYSTERIOUS PAIR TAKE OFF--
SEEMS DESERTED PAL. WANT TO GIVE THIS PLACE THE ONCE OVER

SO THIS IS WHERE THAT BLAST FIX CAME FROM... HEY! WHA...?!!
THUMP!
BUMP!

DON'T WORRY, I'LL HAVE THOSE ROPES OFF YOU IN A MOMENT!
MMF!

QUICK...
I'M DETECTIVE


QUICKLY THE PHANTOM EAGLE OUTLINES A PLAN OF ACTION !

...AND YOU'D BETTER TAKE THIS GUN! NOW I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE ARROW AND SHOW UP THAT END OF THE CASE!
I'VE GOT YOU COVERED! I'LL HANDLE THIS END

WHAT

I'LL WAIT UNTIL TOMORROW I FEEL SORT OF NERVOUS CARRYING ALL THIS RADIUM ON ME, SO I'LL TURN IN
THERE'S AN EMPTY ROOM NEXT TO MY QUARTERS ABOVE THE HANGARS YOU'LL BE SAFE THERE
JUST WHAT I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR — A CHANCE TO SEARCH HIS ROOM
GOOD NIGHT I'LL SEE YOU LATER
LATER.....
THIS IS HIS ROOM! IT'LL HARDLY BE ABLE TO FIND OUT HOW HE SMUGGLES HIS ACCOMPLICES — SAY! THAT BELL MIGHT BE THE ANSWER ... BUT INTO THE CLOSET AND WAIT
HERE'S NOTHING HE DOESN'T LOOK IN HERE FOR ANYTHING!
THE FOOL FELLOW HAS LEFT THE KEY A CHANCE I'VE GOT TO SIGNAL THE BOYS THIS IS THE RANGER!
BEFORE THE PHANTOM EAGLE'S EYES THE SILENT FIGURE HORRIBLY MAGNIFIED A TINY FLASHLIGHT INTO THE AIR...
THIS WILL BRING US AT LEAST A MILLION BUCKS!
PRETTY CLEVER NO WONDER HE'S BEEN ABLE TO SMUGGLE WITHOUT BEING DETECTED
...AND AIMING AT A MOUNTAIN PEAK HE STARTS FLASHING A MESSAGE
IT'S ABOUT TIME I TOOK OVER
SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOUR LITTLE CHAT — BUT I'VE GOT A WORD TO SAY
BOP!!

CLOSING UP THE SIGNALLING DEVICE THE PHANTOM EAGLE PLANNED A QUICK MESSAGE TO THE REAL DETECTIVE McLEAN...
THERE IF McLEAN KNOWS THE MORSE CODE HE'LL BE BRINGING IN THE REST OF THE MURDEROUS MOB
MEANWHILE McLEAN HAS OVERPOWERED THE TWO ACCOMPLICES UPON THEIR RETURN TO THE CABIN HIDE-OUT...
GET GOIN' AND DON'T TRY ANYTHING YOU WON'T HAVE TO REGRET
ALL RIGHT DON'T SHOOT
SHORTLY AFTER... AT THE AIRPORT...
ALL OUT YOUR WAY FOR W... BE IN A PATROL WAGON!
WE SHOULDA FLOWN IN THE FIRST PLACE
HEY A, PHANTOM EAGLE! HERE'S THE REST OF THAT PHONY'S PLAYMATES WHEN THEY RETURNED TO THE CABIN! THEN LIKE AUNT AGATHA TOOK PHILADELPHIA!
FINE NOW LET'S SEE WHICH OF THE RATS CAN "SING" THE LOUDEST
SUDDENLY ONE OF THE CROOKS MOVES WITH THE SPEED OF A STEEL SPRING
I'M NOT DONE YET HERE'S A LITTLE STUNT THAT MOLOCH USED TO PULL... HOW DYA LIKE IT?
NOW TO TAKE THAT RUN COWBOY, LIKE THIS!
THAT'S THE TICKET BOSS!
OK MR PHANTOM EAGLE SEE HOW ANYONE MY RATS THEN THERE GONNA BE A LITTLE PRESENT TO YOU! A SLUG THROUGH THE BRAIN!
LOOKS AS THOUGH THERE'S NOTHING TO DO BUT OBEY!
START WITH ME, BUD! HA, HA! BOY THIS IS RICH!

WITHOUT WARNING, THE PHANTOM EAGLE LETS THE FIGURE BEFORE HIM BODILY...
HERE! YOU LAY OFF HIM!
OOF!
WHAM!
I LIKE YOUR COMPANY BETTER WHEN YOU'RE UNCONSCIOUS
UP!
U-U-!!
POLICE HEADQUARTERS! SEND A WAGON OUT TO CENTRAL AIRPORT RIGHT AWAY TO PICK UP WHAT'S LEFT OF THREE BAD BOYS
SERGEANT MURPHY! WE'VE GOT A NICE NEW CASE FOR THE [illegible] OF YOU!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION! HOPE YOU WON'T HAVE ANY MORE TROUBLE OUT HERE!
WITH YOU ON THE JOB, PHANTOM EAGLE, HOW CAN WE?

"CRIME ON THE SQUARE"

A "Penny Graves" Detective Story

By Richard G. Kraus

A flashing gun arm in the hand PENNY GRAVES was out of breath. A bullet coming through the night breathed out the taste of death

"PENNY GRAVES. She you to meet Ben Morgan, Chief of Police of Ocean City. Ben, this is Penny Graves, my ace operative."

Craig Marshall smiled as his pretty girl detective assistant shook hands with the husky, black-haired Police Chief.

Ocean City has a problem that I think you may be able to help Ben on," Marshall continued. "Ben, will you tell her what it's all about?"

"These clips will do that for me," said Morgan. He tossed a folder of newspaper clippings across the desk at Penny. "They're all about a record of hold-ups we've had in Ocean City. As you'll see, they pose a very special problem."

Penny stared at the clippings. Their headlines were dramatically similar. "SOLDIER THUGS HOLD UP FLAMINGO." "SERVICEMEN BANDITS STRIKE AGAIN." "THIRD NIGHT CLUB HOLD UP IN WEEK BY SOLDIER GANG."

"Gosh," whistled Penny. "I see what you mean. Have all these night club crimes been by soldiers?"

Morgan nodded. "No, just by men in soldiers' uniforms. And we have a lead."

"What is it?" asked Marshall.

"Just this. We think that we know who the leader of the gang is. All descriptions indicate that he's "Big John" Boyle, who just escaped from the pen two months ago."

Big John exclaimed Penny. "I remember him. He used to lead a famous hold-up gang, didn't he?"

"Yes," said Morgan. And we think that he's organized his old gang, wearing G.I. uniforms, and that they're the gang in Ocean City now. But so far we've been helpless. The gang has struck every time at a club in a different section of the city and we can't guard every street and night spot."

The Police Chief drew out a map from his portfolio. On it were several red circles. He pointed to them.

"These are the night clubs that have been attacked so far. The Flamingo, the Swing Spot, the Plaza, the Ocean Inn. The papers have been running the dickens out of me!"

"Hmmmm," hummed Penny. She pointed a slender finger at the map. "Is there a night club—there?"

"Why yes, I believe there is. It's one of our biggest night clubs, but it hasn't been touched yet. It's the Platinum Club."

"Platinum Club," Penny repeated. "Well, Mr. Morgan, if Craig Marshall can spare me, I have a plan that I'd like to put into effect right now."

THREE NIGHTS LATER, in Ocean City, the last floor show of the evening of the Platinum Club was coming to an end. The band played soft rhumba music, as the multicolored spotlight played on a whirling pair of exhibition dancers.

In a corner of the dimly lighted room a pretty auburn-haired cigarette girl stood by a French window, watching the crowd. It was Penny Graves!

Acutely the girl detective's eyes darted over the dance floor from table to table, then to the arched entrance of the club. It was well after midnight, and the evening's receipts were piling up in the manager's office. If anything was going to happen, it would be soon!

Suddenly there was a commotion at the door. Penny froze to attention as four khaki-clad men elbowed their way in past the head waiter. They were holding machine guns at hip-level—they were the hold-up gang!

ONE of them, a tall husky man, ran to the microphone at the edge of the dance floor. He held up his hand and the music died away in a discordant wail.

"Quiet? Quiet everybody!" the big man rasped. "The boys got tommy guns and they learned how to use them in the infantry."

Swiftly, he gave militarylike orders. "Phil, watch the door! Lefty, get the money box. It must be in the manager's office. Harry, get the sparklers off the ladies. Gents, throw your wallets across the dance floor!"

He whipped his gun around in a menacing arc and a shower of fat wallets cascaded across the floor.

"The leader is Big Joe! Boyle, all right!" Penny breathed, almost inaudibly. She raised the cigarette tray slightly toward her face and

spoke. "He's getting the jewelry now. He has one man at the door standing guard. Another one is getting the night's receipts."

SHE paused momentarily as the tall gangster's eyes swept around the room. Then she went on. "The guy's coming back from the manager's office. He's got the money box. They're almost ready to go."

"Okay, we're through now," grated the gangster at the microphone. "Don't move unless you want a hot slug in your belly! 'Legs,' Harry let's go. Phil, cover us!"

Suddenly the man at the door gasped in alarm. He sprang toward the dance floor.

"Joe, cops! Three patrol cars out there. They're coming in. It's a trap!"

The leader pointed at Penny and growled. "The French windows! We'll get out the side way!"

As they dashed toward Penny the one called "Legs" shouted. "Take the cigarette girl. We'll use her for cover if they try to shoot!"

A gun was pointed at the girl detective's brawny arm circled her waist, and she was half-dragged, half carried, through the window as the first binoculars swarmed in through the door!

The gangsters sped down an alleyway and up a dark side street. A big black motor car waited for them, motor racing.

"Get in," said the leader, waving his gun at Penny. "We're gonna need you."

Helplessly, Penny climbed in, still holding her cigarette case. The men followed, and, with a smashing of gears, the big auto hurtled down the street. A fusillade of bullets rang out, directed at the car's tires, as it sped past the night club door.

"Big Joe" was at the wheel, his eyes on the street ahead.

"Any of them slugs hit?" he asked from the side of his mouth. "No? Okay, we're heading out of town. Phil, keep your eye on this babe!"

There was less traffic on the road ahead as the powerful motor hurled the long car through the city's outskirts. Soon there were only scattered houses beside the road, and then nothing but the long gray ribbon of the highway, stretching down a long corridor of bank trees.

"What are you going to do with the girl, boss," asked one of the thugs.

"I dunno," the big man replied. "We'll head out on Highway Three. We'll keep her as long as we need her for protection. And then—"

Penny leaned forward as he has seen, heading the cigarette case up. That could only mean one thing. To keep her from giving any clue to their identity, these men would kill her mercilessly. It was part of their rat-like gangster code. She had to do something, anything!

Far ahead of the road she could see what looked like a bridge. Frantically she searched her memory.

"Is that the bridge over the Quonnet river?" she asked.

"Nah," grated "Big John." "It's the Ocean Court. Now shut up."

The car roared toward the bridge. At the precise moment when they were over the river, Penny acted. Desperately she lunged at the steering wheel, grabbed and twisted it far to the right. The car twisted violently over, following her lead, smashed into the guard railing on the bridge's edge.

There upon obediently for a second as the long auto teetered on the rail. Then it dropped end over end into the river below and everything went black for Penny.

"SHE'S BREATHING WELL, Mr. Morgan. She'll be all right."

Penny's brain was whirling, spinning with pain. Slowly with a tremendous effort, she strained her eyes open and looked up at Ben Morgan's beaming face.

"Penny, you're all right!" the Police Chief said. "It took ten minutes of artificial respiration, but you're okay!"

"Oh," Penny struggled to a sitting position. "What happened to Big John?"

"Luckily the car landed in shallow water. We got the whole gang out safely. The walkie-talkie you had hidden in the cigarette tray worked as well in the car as it had in the night club. We knew just where you were heading and followed right behind."

"That's good," breathed Penny. "Gosh, I never swallowed so much water in my life."

She closed her eyes, but dimly she could hear Ben Morgan's voice.

"Tell me one thing, Penny. The cigarette case warning scheme was fine; we worked that out together. But how did you know the next holdup would be at the Plantation Club?"

"I didn't know," replied the girl detective. "I couldn't be sure, and that's why I couldn't ask you as though a whole squad there. But I did know one thing about 'Big John.' He always pulled his jobs in a pattern over a city."

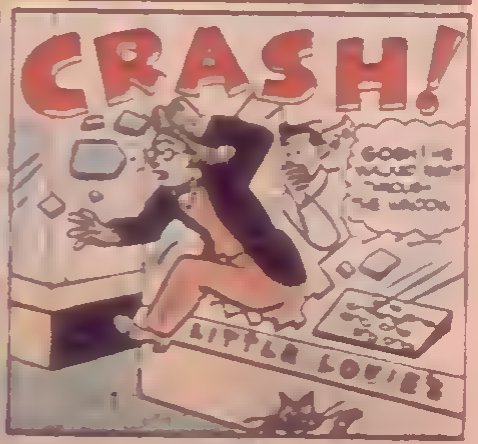
PENNY kept talking, fighting the darkness.

"When I saw your map of the jobs he'd done in Ocean City, I saw the pattern there was a square. It was drawn on the square! So, following his direction, I knew just where to wait for the next [illegible]. The Plantation Club was the spot."

Then her eyelids closed in again and Penny fell asleep.

RICHARD RICHARD

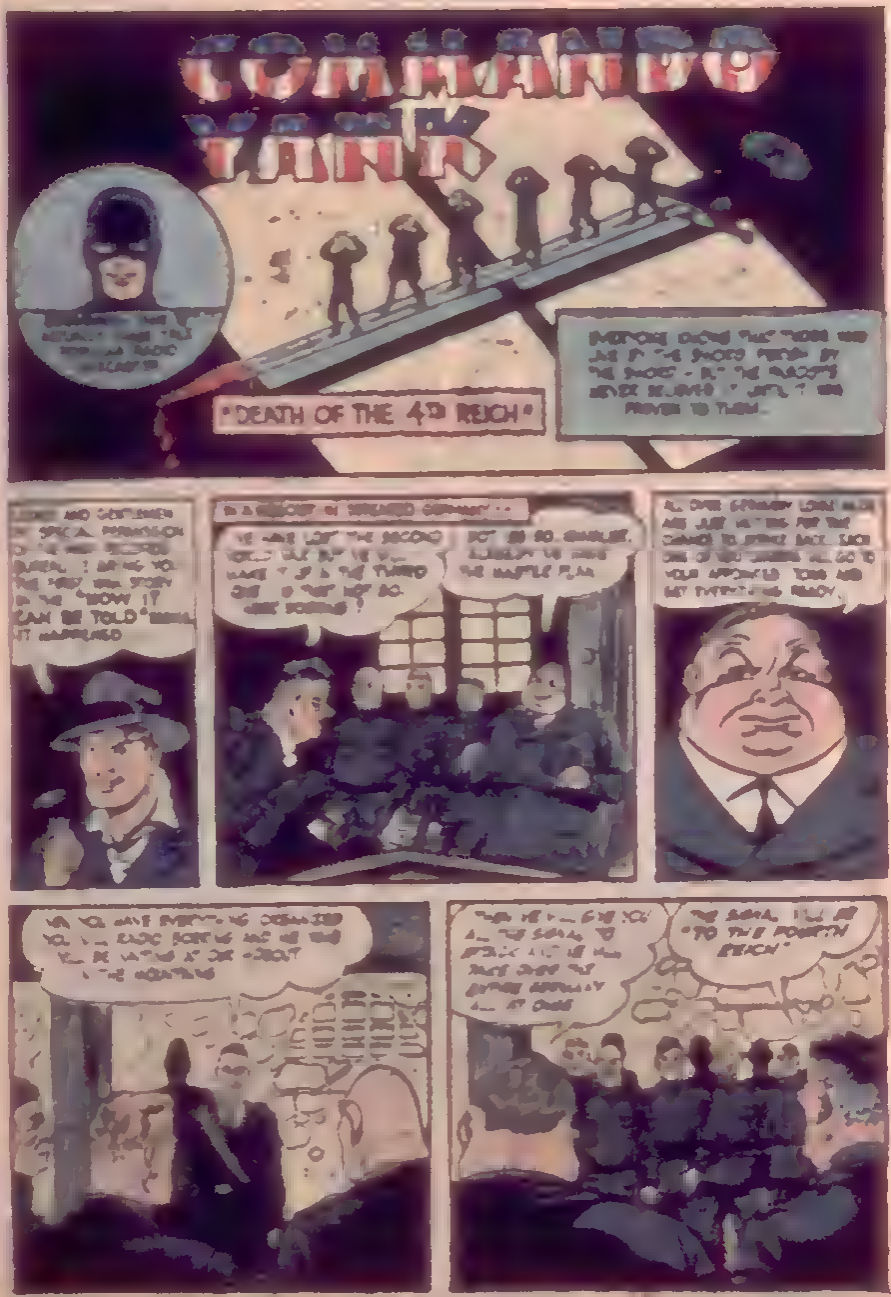
PRIVATE DICK IN THE EYE GLASS CASE



THAT HAPPENS EVERY TIME SOMEBODY CALLS FOR THEIR GLASSES
I CAN UNDERSTAND IT
YOU'D BETTER GO BACK TO THE FACTORY AND KEEP AN EYE OPEN FOR DIRTY WORK
AFTER THE FIRE MAN LEAVES LITTLE LOUIE DECIDES TO DOUBLE CHECK
HELLO RICHARD RICHARD A FRIEND OF MINE TOLD ME TO CALL YOU IN CASE I EVER GOT INTO TROUBLE. COME OVER AT ONCE LITTLE LOUIE IS YOU... AND AS SOON AS YOU CROSS THE STREET
POOR BABY HASN'T A VERY GOOD FRIEND.
OVER, ONE THERE IS A MAN.
MEANWHILE THE FOREMAN RETURNS ON HIS WAY BACK TO THE FACTORY
HA HA LITTLE EVERYTHING IS GOING OUR WAY THE CUSTOMER IS GONNA SUE LOUIE
KEEP AT THE GOOD WORK IF ANYONE CONTINUES TO BUG YOU MAKE PARTNER
BIG LOUIE'S NOT SO SMART FOR OUR GLASSES

LATER AT LITTLE LOUIE'S FACTORY.....
WHAT DO YOU WANT ? I'M THE FOREMAN
LOUIE SENT US DOWN
FOUR MEN ? ONLY ONE MAN TO ME
COME ON IN ANY FRIEND OF LOUIES IS A FRIEND OF MINE
WITH A FACE LIKE YOURS I DON'T SEE HOW YOU EVER CAME ONCE
DON'T MIND HIS BARK HE'S ALWAYS PUTTING ON THE DOG
HERE'S WHERE THE MEN MAKE THE GLASSES
LOOKS LIKE A HERCULE GRIND.
AND HERE'S WHERE I DO MY WORK
MUST HIDE MILK
I'M BEGINNING TO SEE WHERE THE BOTTLENECK IS.
ONE EVERY JOE JUST FANCIED THESE GLASSES SO PERFECT YOU CAN'T SEE THEM
ALL RIGHT I DON'T WANT TO BE DISTURBED FOR THE NEXT HALF HOUR.
STEP ONE : TEST THEM FOR STRENGTH
I THINK THE FOREMAN IS A LITTLE CRACKED.
GEE YOU BUSTED THEM.

DON'T WORRY I'LL PUT EM THE WAY LOUIE LIKES 'EM
I ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW HOW THEY MAKE EVERLASTING
THIS CAKE FOR THE WILLIAMS SON'S SWEET ROSE O'GRADY
BUT YOU CAN'T SEE CLEARLY THROUGH HALF BOTTLES
YOU'RE A GREAT COOPER, YOU KNOW THAT'S THE WAY LOUIE WANTS THEM
BUT YOU CAN'T EVEN SEE THE MAN WHO THROUGH THEM.
WHEN YOU GO BACK TO BIG LOUIE GIVE HIM THIS NOTE. IT TELLS HIM WHAT PRICE I DEMAND TODAY.
BIG LOUIE? WE CAME FROM LITTLE LOUIE.
WHAT DO I LOOK LIKE A CAREFREE PIGEON
LITTLE LOUIE! YOU SPEED GIVE ME BACK THAT NOTE.
PLEASE DON'T COME BACK! WE DON'T WORK FOR BIG LOUIE ANY SHOULD WE CARRY NOTES TO HIM?
NOTICE TO YOU BOSS THIS IS OUR ENTRANCE
YOU LITTLE NUTS! AS SOON AS I'M ON MY BUSINESS I'LL CATCH YOU AND MAKE HOT DOGS OUT OF YOU!
BOSS! I CAN'T SEE! PUT ON THE WRONG GLASSES
THAT'S WHAT I CALL BETTER LUCK AND IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT IT MEANS LOOK IT UP IN THE 2ND CHAPTER
AFTER
YOU SOLVED THE CAKE AND SAVED MY BUSINESS EDWARD EDWARD YOU ARE A WONDER
I WONDER WHY THEY NEVER GET ON TO HIM
AW SHUCKS I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG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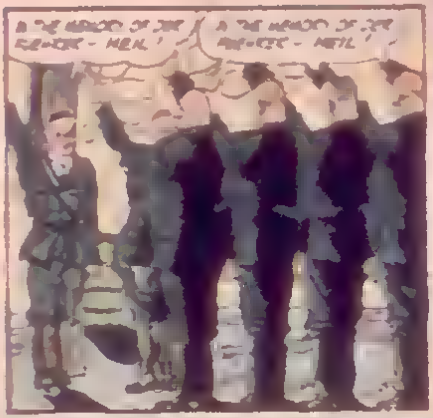
"DEATH OF THE 4TH REICH"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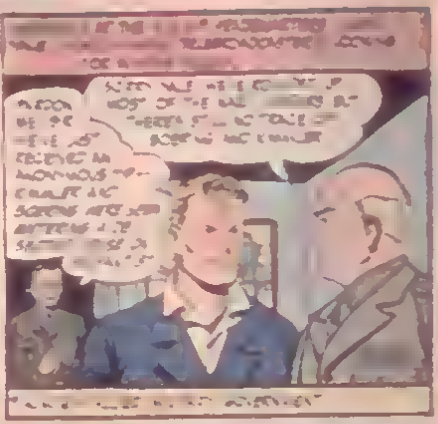


SUCH A NICE PLACE
THERE'S A WINDOW LET'S TAKE A LOOK

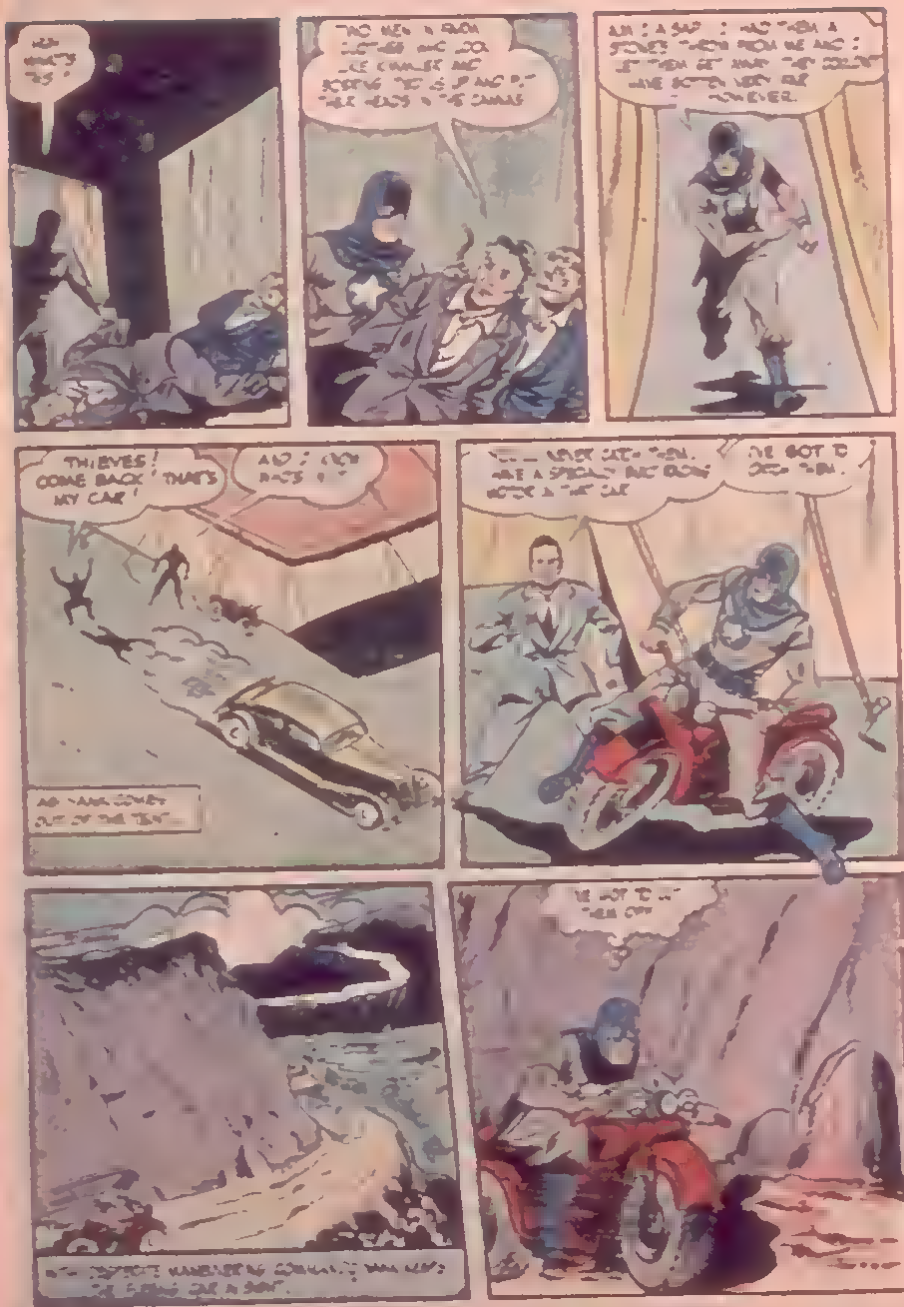
COMMANDO YANK

COMMANDO YANK!

HELP!

ANNUAL COUNTY FAIR
COUNTY FAIR
CRUNCH!

COMMANDO
SOCK!
3 SHOTS FOR 3.
3 SHOTS FOR



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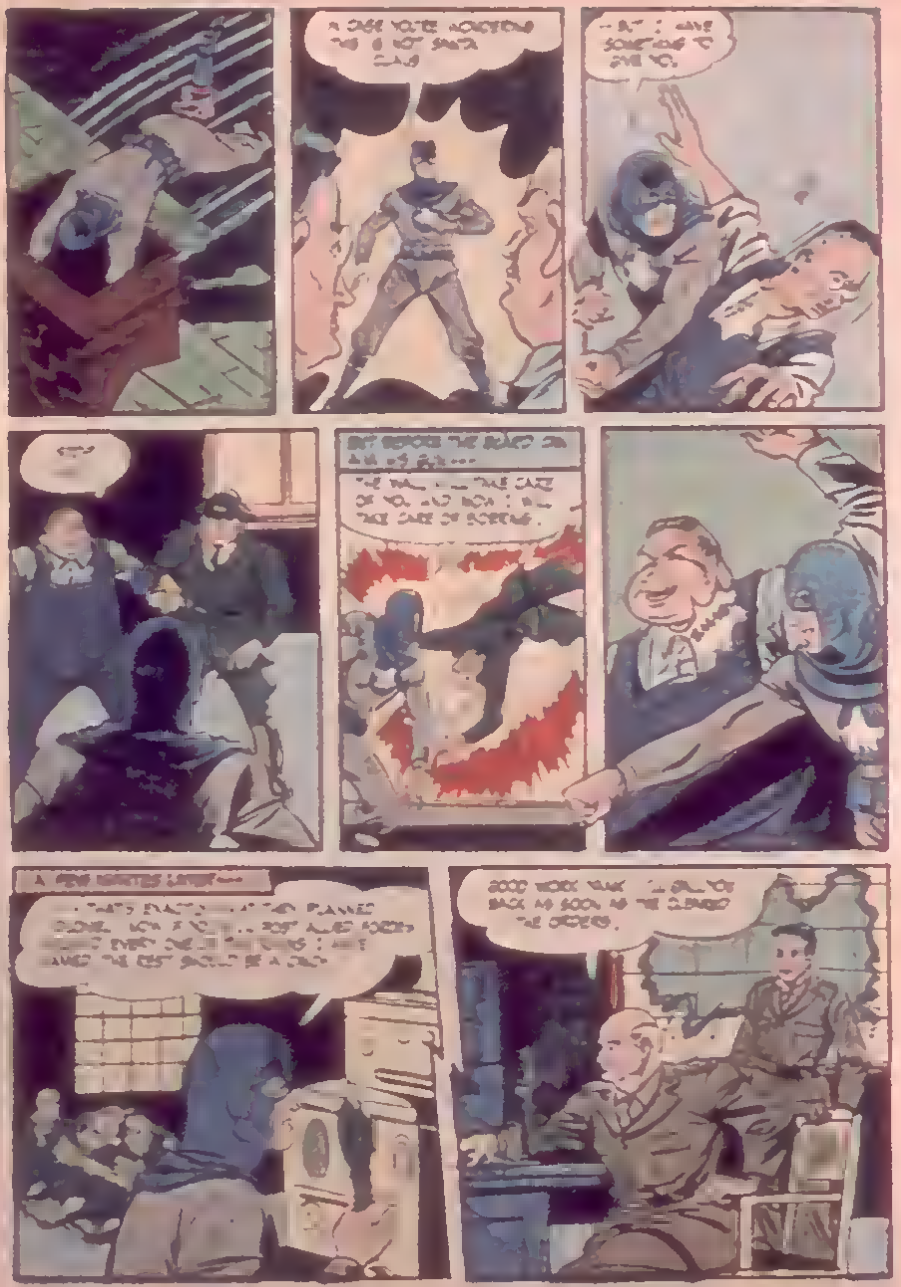
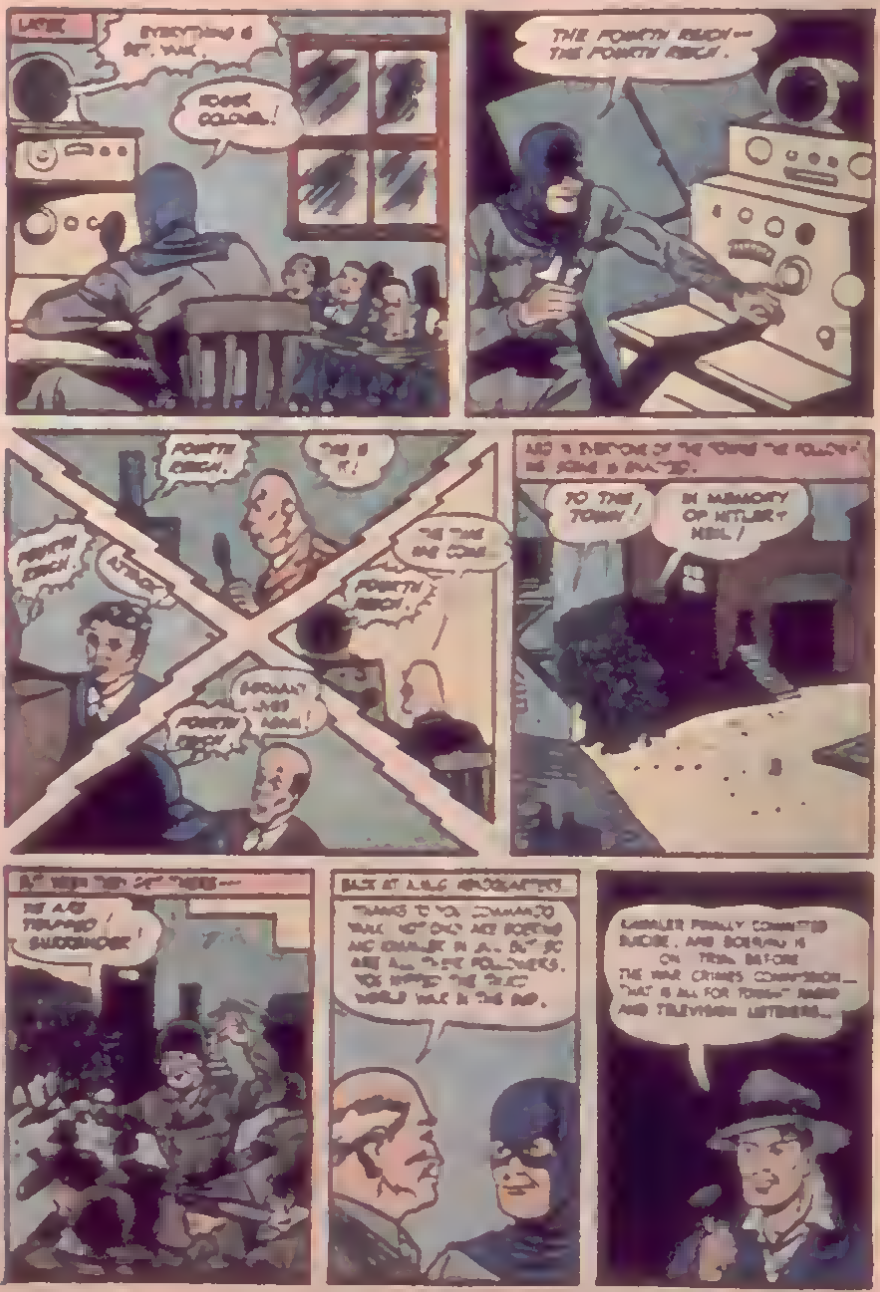
POW!




LATER
EVERYTHING IS SET, HANS.
GOOD, COLONEL!
THE FOURTH REICH — THE FOURTH REICH.
FOURTH REICH.
YES, IT IS!
THE TIME HAS COME.
FOURTH REICH!
ATTACK!
FOURTH REICH!
PROUDLY WE RISE AGAIN!
AND SO BEFORE OF THE "CRIMES THE FOLLOWS" WE SOME IS ENACTED.
TO THE TOMB!
IN MEMORIAM OF HITLER'S HEIL!
THE ALIED TRIUMPH SUCCUMBED!
BACK AT A.M.G. HEADQUARTERS
THANKS TO YOU, COMMANDO HANS, NOT ONLY ARE BORMANN AND KRAMLER IN A... BUT SO ARE ALL THEIR FOLLOWERS. YOU SAVED THE FREE WORLD MUCH IN THIS RAID.
KRAMLER FINALLY COMMITTED SUICIDE. AND BORMANN IS ON TRIAL BEFORE THE WAR CRIMES COMMISSION— THAT IS ALL FOR TONIGHT RADIO AND TELEVISION LISTENERS...

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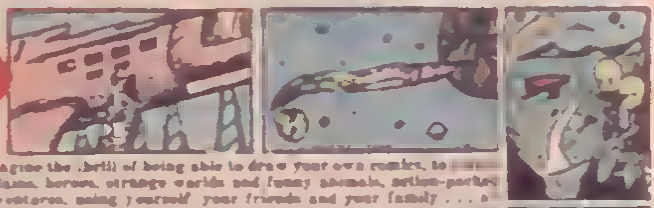

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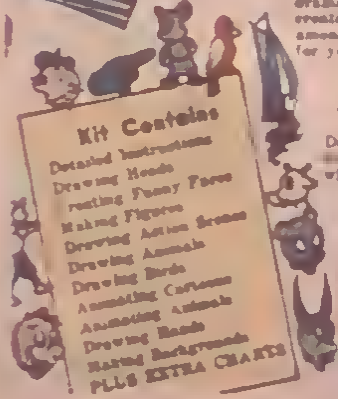

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IRENE IS LOOKING RATHER OLD LATELY
YES, HER SCHOOL-GIRL COMPLEXION SEEMS TO HAVE GRADUATED!
BEAUTY IS SKIN DEEP
DO YOU LIKE MY HAIR? I SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF TIME OVER IT
I SPEND A... MY TIME UNDER MINE!
DO THAT HAIRDRESSER SAY GOODBYE TO YOU?
YES SHE GAVE ME A WAVE BEFORE I LEFT
WHAT DID YOU DO TO HAVE SUCH BEAUTIFUL HANDS?
NOTHING--- NO WORK OF ANY KIND
A FRESH MORNING
HAPPENED
I THOUGHT I HAD FRECKLES - BUT I GOT RID OF THEM
WHAT DID YOU DO?
WASHED THE MIRROR IN MY ROOM

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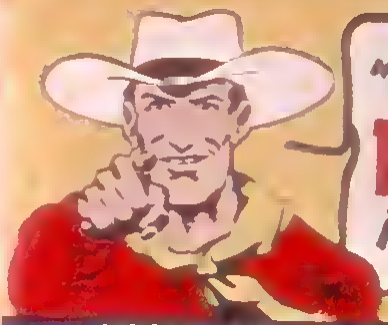

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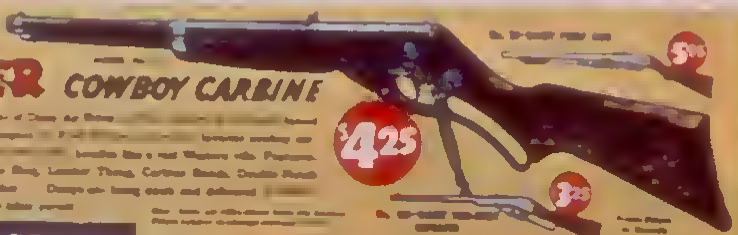

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